

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE
INSURANCE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

COUNTRYWIDE FINANCIAL
CORPORATION, *et al.*

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 11-cv-30215

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Pursuant to Rule 83.5.2(a) of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, notice is hereby given of the appearance of Katherine B. Dirks as counsel for Defendant Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc.

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